

**REMARKS**

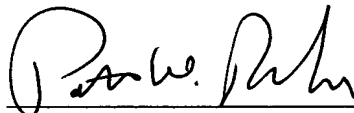
The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee(s) Due mailed May 5, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing remarks have been made in consequence thereof. The Specification has been amended to correct typographical errors. In the drawings Figure 7B and Figure 10 have been amended to correct reference labels and typographical errors. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-3, 7-8, 11-23, and 25-33 have been allowed.

These corrections are being presented at this time because they were not discovered until after allowance by the Office. This Amendment is being presented with the payment of the Issue Fee.

Therefore, it is submitted that these minor corrections require no further examination. Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered to avoid the typographical errors from being propagated to the issued patent.

Respectfully Submitted,



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